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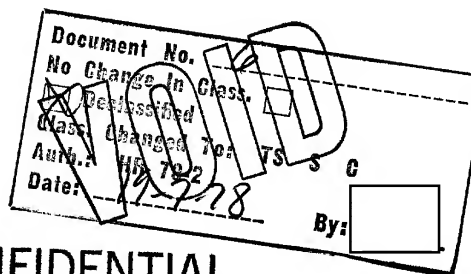
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1. The vessel EASTERN KNIGHT of the Great Southeastern Company, flying the Panamanian flag and under command of a Soviet captain and first mate, is proceeding via the Japan Sea to Shanghai from Hong Kong.* The vessel is reportedly carrying 1,500 tons of explosives, 3,000 tons of steel, and 500 tons of oil.
2. The publicly announced destination of the EASTERN KNIGHT was Dairen.

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* Comment. This route seems roundabout.

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